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California Arts Council Organizational Support Program Panel to evaluate funding requests for Arts Services/Presenters/Arts Education category

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SACRAMENTO: The panel for the Organizational Support Program of the California Arts Council will be meeting

March 26-27, 1998 to evaluate applications for funding in the Arts Services/Presenters/Arts Education category.

These grants review panel meetings are open to the public and will be held at the California Arts Council, 1300 I Street, Suite 930, Sacramento, CA. The public is invited to attend these panel meetings, and a public comments period will be designated at the beginning of the first day of each panel meeting at which time observers may speak. The agenda is subject to change based on the pace of the discussion. Grants review panelists will be making funding recommendations that will then be presented to the Council for its final vote at a Public Council Meeting (time and location to be announced).

The **Organizational Support Program** is open to all artistic disciplines. Request amounts are based on the organization's budget size in its most recently completed fiscal year at the time of application. Non-arts organizations (e.g. universities and community centers) may apply for funding only for arts-related activities that are integral to their overall mission and activities. In these cases, request amounts are based on that portion of the organization's budget that is allocated to arts-related purposes. Applications in the **Arts Service/Presenters/Arts Education** category include arts organizations providing general services to artists and organizations, presenters of the performing arts, and organizations that offer educational opportunities separate from K-12 or college degree programs.

Organizational Support Program - Arts Services/Presenters/Arts Education Panel

March 26, 1998......9 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 27, 1998......8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Panelists serving on the **Organizational Support Program** panel include:

Dean Beck-Stewart, San Francisco Richard Burrows, San Diego Ernest Dillihay, Los Angeles Kathy Koury, Santa Barbara Alan Kumamoto, Los Angeles Libby Maynard, Eureka Lois Wagner, Palo Alto

The **California Arts Council**, a state agency established in 1976, promotes artistic awareness and participation in California. The California Arts Council's mission is to promote the arts and serve the people of California. The Arts Council provides technical assistance and grants to artists and nonprofit organizations. Applications are reviewed and rated at public meetings by outside professional peer panels and receive final approval from the appointed 11-member Council. Arts Council members include: Thomas Hall, Chair; James L. Loper, Vice Chair; Dea Spanos Berberian; Edward C. Cazier, Jr.; Iris R. Dart; Doris Fisher; Barbara George; Hugh Hewitt; Janet Karatz; David C. Lizarraga; and A.C. Lyles.

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